

## SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 2023 PROGRAMS

Programs are free and open to the public. **All programs meet at the Visitor Center** unless otherwise noted. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Reasonable accommodations available upon advanced request. Dress for the weather. Severe weather cancels outdoor programs. For program information, call (413) 534-1723.

### OPEN DAILY

#### VISITOR CENTER, 12:00—4:00 p.m.

Located at 221 Appleton Street in Holyoke. Accessible by [PVRTA public transit](#). Free admission. Open year-round. Exhibits explore Holyoke's affluent industrial mill era. Park information, restrooms, drinking water, wheelchair accessible. Also visit the neighboring [Holyoke Merry-Go-Round](#), [Children's Museum at Holyoke](#), and [International Volleyball Hall of Fame](#).

### DAILY, ONGOING

#### STORYWALK®

For young readers and their families. Combine a walk outdoors with reading a delightful children's book and you have a StoryWalk®. September's featured book is: ***Let's Go on a Hike!*** by Katrina Liu. To commemorate Indigenous People's Day, October's featured book is: ***We are Water Protectors*** by Carole Lindstrom. The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. Story Walk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson. This StoryWalk® is provided by Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation Interpretive Services.

## FOR KIDS & FAMILIES

### THURSDAYS

#### STOP BY SCIENCE, 2:30—4:00 p.m.

Stop by the picnic table to participate in hands-on science investigations. Look through microscopes, make your own paper, learn how a water turbine works, study ants and worms. Each week is something new, so come often.

### WEDNESDAYS, SEPT. 13 & 20

#### KIDLEIDOSCOPE, 1:00—2:00 p.m.

For preschoolers and their families and caretakers. A special program in collaboration with the Children's Museum of Holyoke. Read a book, conduct an activity and do a craft.

- September 13: "Wiggling Worms"
- September 20: "Who Made These Tracks?"

### SATURDAY, SEPT. 16

#### FAIRY HOUSE CREATIONS, 1:00—2:00 p.m.

Let's invite some fairies to the park! Come listen to a wonderful story about fairy houses. Then go outside to create an enchanting fairy house of your own from natural items in the park. Co-sponsored with the Children's Museum of Holyoke.

## MORE PROGRAMS CONTINUED ON BACK

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#### FOR TEENS & ADULTS

##### TUESDAYS

##### TREES TO THE RESCUE, 10:00—11:30 a.m.

Trees cool hot cityscapes, filter polluted air, provide relaxing views, slow runoff and more. Discover beneficial traits of urban trees in Holyoke Heritage State Park. A short leisurely stroll under a mile.

#### GROUP PROGRAMS BY APPOINTMENT

**SCHEDULE  
YOUR GROUP  
TODAY. CALL:  
(413) 534-1723**

##### MADE IN HOLYOKE

Hands-on activities for pre-teens. Explore Holyoke's early industries of paper and textile manufacturing by actually making paper and weaving. Plus, commemorate the park today with leaf art to take home.

##### KIDLEIDOSCOPE

For pre-school children and their caretakers. Each week explore a topic such as spiders, birds, trees, or worms. Program includes a story, activities and a craft. Activities are indoors and outdoors, weather permitting.

#### EVENTS

**FRIDAY,  
SEPT. 22 &  
SATURDAY,  
SEPT. 23  
9 AM-12 PM**

##### CONNECTICUT RIVER SOURCE TO SEA CLEANUP

Let's take care of the river in Holyoke! Join hundreds of community-minded folks and beautify a section of the Connecticut River this weekend. Friday, join Holyoke High School at Springdale Park. Saturday, join DCR and the City Conservation and Sustainability Department to enhance Slim Shad Point. **Register here:** [Source to Sea Cleanup 2023 \(qgiv.com\)](https://www.qgiv.com)

#### EXHIBIT

**DAILY,  
SEPT. 1 TO  
OCT. 30**

##### LOOKING BACK & LOOKING FORWARD

**Submissions to Holyoke Preservation Trust's Art Contest**  
Celebrating the City of Holyoke's 150th year, submissions to the art contest are on display in our Exhibition Hall. Works created by local artists of all ages can be seen during regular Visitor Center hours, noon—4:00 p.m.